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**DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY  
U.S. Customs and Border Protection**

**Accreditation and Approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a  
Commercial Gauger and Laboratory**

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security.

**ACTION:** Notice of accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as a commercial gauger and laboratory.

**SUMMARY:** Notice is hereby given, pursuant to CBP regulations, that SGS North America, Inc., has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes for the next three years as of August 6, 2015.

**DATES: Effective Dates:** The accreditation and approval of SGS North America, Inc., as commercial gauger and laboratory became effective on August 6, 2015. The next triennial inspection date will be scheduled for August 2018.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Approved Gauger and Accredited Laboratories Manager, Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, 1300 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 1500N, Washington, DC 20229, tel. 202-344-1060.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13, that SGS North America, Inc., 925 Corn Products Road, Corpus Christi, TX 78409, has been approved to gauge and accredited to test petroleum and petroleum products for customs purposes, in accordance with the provisions of 19 CFR 151.12 and 19 CFR 151.13. SGS North America, Inc., is approved for the following gauging procedures for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the American Petroleum Institute (API):

<b>API Chapters</b>	<b>Title</b>
3	Tank gauging
7	Temperature Determination
8	Sampling
12	Calculations
17	Maritime Measurements

SGS North America, Inc., is accredited for the following laboratory analysis procedures and methods for petroleum and certain petroleum products set forth by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection Laboratory Methods (CBPL) and American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM):

<b>CBPL No.</b>	<b>ASTM</b>	<b>Title</b>
27-01	ASTM D-287	Standard test method for API Gravity of crude petroleum products and petroleum products (Hydrometer Method)
27-02	ASTM D-1298	Standard Test Method for specific gravity by Hydrometer method.
27-03	ASTM D-4006	Standard test method for water in crude oil by distillation
27-04	ASTM D-95	Standard test method for water in petroleum products and bituminous materials by distillation
27-06	ASTM D-473	Standard test method for sediment in crude oils and fuel oils by the extraction method
27-11	ASTM D-445	Standard Test Method for Kinematic Viscosity of Transparent and Opaque Liquids (and Calculation of Dynamic Viscosity)
27-13	ASTM D-4294	Standard test method for sulfur in petroleum and petroleum products by energy-dispersive x-ray fluorescence spectrometry

Anyone wishing to employ this entity to conduct laboratory analyses and gauger services should request and receive written assurances from the entity that it is accredited or approved by the U.S. Customs and Border Protection to conduct the specific test or gauger service requested. Alternatively, inquiries regarding the specific test or gauger service this entity is accredited or approved to perform may be directed to the U.S. Customs and Border Protection by calling (202) 344-1060. The inquiry may also be sent to [cbp.labhq@dhs.gov](mailto:cbp.labhq@dhs.gov). Please reference the website

listed below for a complete listing of CBP approved gaugers and accredited laboratories.

<http://www.cbp.gov/about/labs-scientific/commercial-gaugers-and-laboratories>

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Laboratories and Scientific Services Directorate.

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